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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

Gabe Cherian.

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Art Unit: 2841 ??

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Examiner: Mr. HOA CAO NGUYEN ??

For: Oriented Connections For Leadless and Leaded Packages

RESPONSE TO THE NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

DATE MAILED 08/21/2007

SEPTEMBER 15, 2007

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Reference: Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121), Date Mailed 08/21/2007, Confirmation No. 2451.

Greetings:

This paper is submitted in full response to the referenced Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, Date Mailed 08/21/2007, Confirmation No. 2451.

I am attaching with this response the requested Corrections to the Claims, namely the following:

1. A complete listing of all the claims, and
2. Each claim has been provided with the proper status identifier.

I admit that my previous claims amendments were a bit confusing. So, I have clarified them in the following "IN THE CLAIM" section. And as to the format, and just to be sure that I do the right thing, I have called the USPTO Office and asked for help from one of the "Inventors Assistance Consultants". I have followed his advice when I amended the claims, as you can see attached.

I also got clarification about the TIME PERIODS FOR FILING MY REPLY. The same gentleman pointed to paragraph 2 at the bottom of the Notice. It reads as follows: "Applicant is given one month, or thirty (30) days, whichever is longer, from the mail date of this notice to supply the corrected section of the non-compliant amendment in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121 or 1.4, if the non-compliant amendment is one of the following: a preliminary amendment, a non-final amendment (**including a submission for a request for continued examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114**), a ...". So, since this response here is related to my submission for a request for continued examination (RCE), as per my communication dated 08/14/2007, then the time period for filing a reply is according to this paragraph, i.e. it is one month, or thirty (30) days, whichever is longer, from the mail date of this notice. Accordingly, and since the referenced notice was date mailed 08/21/2007, then my deadline to respond to it is 09/20/2007 or 09/21/2007. I am filing this present response on 09/15/2007, which makes it within the allotted time.

Please advise if this is not correct, or if I have to do anything else, to satisfy the requirement of the referenced notice.

Best regards,

Gabe Cherian

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